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- 1. Response to Office Communication and Amendment, 8 pages;
- Copy of Office Communication dated 05/04/2005, 3 pages

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Communication mailed May 4, 2005 in the subject application.

REMARKS

This Response is in reply to the Office Communication mailed May 4, 2005 where the examiner requests correction of the last proposed claim amendments submitted in Applicants' response filed February 3, 2005.

Reconsideration of the proposed amendments and further examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2005 and the further Office Communication mailed May 4, 2005, reconsideration of the subject application, including these amendments to the claims is respectfully requested.